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and vaccinated the crew. The patient is doing well, and although he has a moderately severe attack of discrete smallpox apparently stands a good chance to recover.

I have vaccinated the entire personnel of this station and will make requisition on the Bureau for a supply of vaccine virus, so that I will be able to vaccinate such seamen as come to the hospital for that purpose.

Respectfully,

L. L. LUMSDEN,
Passed Assistant Surgeon.

NOTE.—The State board of health authorized the sending of the *Orozimbo* to the Boston quarantine station, September 25. The case of smallpox was doing well and the other members of the vessel's crew were well at that date.

Inspection service, Mexican border.

El Paso, Tex.—Acting Assistant Surgeon Alexander reports, September 26, 1903, as follows: Week ended September 26, 1903, Mexican Central passengers inspected, 236; Rio Grande and Pacific passengers inspected, 29; Mexican immigrants inspected, 111; special inspection Syrian immigrants, 3; soiled linen imported for laundry inspected, 419 pieces; special inspection of 5 passengers—2 from Monterey and 3 from Vera Cruz, Mexico; soiled linen imported for laundry disinfected, 419 pieces; disinfection of cages containing parrots imported from Vera Cruz, 2; disinfection of 2 trunks and packages of baggage of 2 passengers from Tampico; detention of 5 passengers from Vera Cruz and Monterey, to complete requisite time of being away from point of foci; vaccination of immigrant children, 6.

Conditions at Laredo and measures for preventing introduction into and spread of yellow fever in Texas.

Quarantine at Matamoras effective—Quarantine at Brownsville advised.

BROWNSVILLE, TEX., September 29, 1903.

FRANCIS B. LOOMIS,

Assistant Secretary of State, Washington:

Have inspected Mexican quarantine, this district. Matamoras well protected by civil and military authorities. Brownsville should establish immediate and rigid quarantine against Laredo, Tex. City and county funds insufficient. Citizens earnestly request that I advise Department they will appreciate all Federal aid possible.

P. MERRILL GRIFFITH,
United States Consul at Matamoras.